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SOURCE

1. At 8 a.m. on 11 December 1953, three Po-2s took off from Dresden-Klotzsche airfield. Air activity was discontinued at 8:20 a.m., as visibility gradually decreased to about 200 meters. At 9 a.m. on 16 December, the three biplanes again took off for a cross-country flight toward the north. Between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. on 22 December and between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. on 24 December, local flying was practiced by biplanes. No additional air activity was observed at the field during the period from 10 December 1953 to 2 January 1954.¹
2. The radar set was still at its previous location. The two lamps at the hangar next to the flight control station of the former officer candidate school (Luftkriegsschule) (LKS) were switched on every night.²
3. The former Hansa building was occupied by about 200 men wearing red-bordered black epaulets without insignia, 25 men wearing black-bordered blue epaulets, and 10 air force officers. The three biplanes were only flown by the 10 officers. No other aircraft were stationed at the field. The 200 men with red-bordered black epaulets were observed drilling every day. They were observed outside of the installation for the first time on 2 January 1954. These soldiers probably were recruits as they had close cropped hair and new belts.³
4. The former Luftkriegsschule was occupied by an estimated 300 men wearing black-bordered blue epaulets, 100 officers and EW wearing black-bordered blue epaulets with motor transport insignia, 75 officers with silver epaulets, and 400 men wearing black-bordered red epaulets. The men with motor transport insignia belonged to the driving school which was last observed on 16 December. There was little activity at the driving school. Source observed several times that soldiers wearing black-bordered red epaulets drilled in the meadows on Fuchsberg. From the fact that a group of 20 young soldiers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets went to Klotzsche to be photographed on 14 and 17 December respectively, source inferred that new recruits wearing black-bordered blue epaulets had recently arrived. Motor vehicles observed entering and leaving the LKS including truck 25X1B

the latter five with drivers wearing black-bordered red epaulets. 25X1B

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1. Comment. From the information on the very light air activity and the maximum number of 3 Po-2s at Dresden-Klotzsche airfield, it is assumed that the aircraft are liaison or courier planes of the headquarters of the 1st Gds Mecc Army. The per-

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Training air force personnel are quartered in the former Hansa building in the southern section of the field.

25X1A 2. [] Comment. The radar set, probably a Dumbo-type set, is located on the northern edge of the field. It is probably not connected with the liaison squadron but possibly carries out air space control missions.

25X1A 3. [] Comment. Since 3 November 1953, the former Hansa building has housed a recruit unit of the Soviet Army besides the soldiers of a liaison squadron; the recruit unit probably belongs to the 11th Gds Tank Div most of whose personnel are stationed in Dresden-Klotzsche. []

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25X1A 4. [] Comment. According to available information, the former Luftkriegsschule in Dresden-Klotzsche has housed the following units:

- a. An MVD unit with personnel wearing black-bordered red epaulets;
- b. A motor vehicle driving school of the Twenty-Fourth Air Army;
- c. A supply headquarters of the Twenty-Fourth Air Army which is charged with the distribution of motor vehicles.

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